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In the claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended) In the production of refractory articles, the improvement comprises using a powdered polycondensation product produced by reacting a bisphenol residue from the production of bisphenols with an aldehyde in an acidic medium and containing at least one phenolic compound.

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Claim 2 (previously presented) In the production of Claim 1, the bisphenol residue is from bisphenol A production.

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Claim 3 (previously presented) In the production of Claim 1, the aldehyde is formaldehyde.

Claim 4 (cancelled).

Cancel **Claim 5**.

Claim 6 (currently amended) In the production of refractory molded bodies, the improvement comprises using a powdered polycondensation product produced by reacting a bisphenol residue from the production of bisphenols with an aldehyde in an acidic medium and containing at least one phenolic compound.